



JHC

JAMES HARGEST COLLEGE KEEP FAITH

27 June 2025



**Music at the  
Junior Campus**

## Principal's Comment

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Mike Newell  
Principal

### Kia ora e te whānau,

This week we held our annual Scholarship and Academic Excellence Awards Ceremony. It was wonderful to welcome back students from the class of 2024 and hear what they are up to post school. Shea Smith, JHC alumni from the class of 2019 and former scholarship recipient was our guest speaker. He spoke of the requirements of his job as an IT developer, whereby, a depth of knowledge and the ability to constantly

problem solve were essential. He also shared a personal example of making a decision to add an extra subject to his degree, which at the time came with certain risks and costs. He spoke about the benefits of making these decisions which don't become apparent until much later. All students who were honoured passed on sage advice for our students and made particular mention of many of our staff, who in their eyes, have played a significant part in their achievement. This ceremony serves to celebrate academic achievement at the highest level and hopefully also was a source of inspiration for the Year 12 and 13 students in the audience.

It is the time of year where many of our Year 13 students are making decisions about next year. There are university visits, halls of residence applications, scholarship applications and various other pieces of administration that our students need to navigate and ensure they meet all the deadlines. It is also the time of year where some students feel extra pressure if they are unsure of what 2026 looks like. Our careers team, senior deans and many staff are only too happy to have conversations with our students for reassurance. My message is keep

working hard to gain your qualifications and keep working on your soft skills like; communication, adaptability, organisation, teamwork and problem solving.

Part of our Vision states "encouraging participation, connectedness and whanaungatanga through a range of service, cultural, sporting and leadership opportunities." As another busy term concludes, I am proud of the opportunities that are available to our akōnga and also of the many successes they are able to achieve. My thanks as always to the many staff and wider whānau that assist to provide these opportunities.

At the start of Term 3 we have our Open Day on Sunday 20 July, where we showcase our whole College for prospective students for 2026. We look forward to welcoming the usual hundreds that attend and showing them around in the weeks that follow with personalised tours.

I hope all our staff and students have a good end of term break.

Ngā mihi  
Mike Newell  
Principal

## PTA Report

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Jo Wilson  
PTA Chairperson

### Kia ora from the PTA!

Term 2 seems to have flown by so quickly. The PTA have been organising things for Open Day. We really enjoy

being able to take part, as this provides us with such a great opportunity to meet parents and their children, have some fabulous conversations and of course offer up a delicious BBQ sausage.

I had the privilege of going to watch this year's ShowQuest. All I can say is WOW. Our rangatahi did a phenomenal job and really gave it their all. Thank you to everyone who was involved for making this such a spectacular event.

Just a brief note of what we do here at the James Hargest PTA, we are a wonderful group of parents, staff and now student representatives.

Senior Management bring us any funding requests from staff for us to consider whether this be for technology, equipment, costumes through to prize giving. We then discuss and give our decision.

The PTA is such a valuable part of James Hargest, and being part of knowing

how we are contributing to not only our rangatahi but for the benefit of future rangatahi.

The best part is absolutely NO fundraising!!

If you would like to learn more, get involved, make new friends and make a difference please come along to our next meeting. Everyone is welcome.

**He waka eke noa**  
*We're all in this together*

Ngā mihi,  
Jo Wilson and the PTA Team

### PTA Meeting Dates

The next PTA meeting will be held in the Brigadier's Room at the Senior Campus, scheduled to start at 7.30pm.

**Thursday 21st August**  
**Thursday 6th November**

## From the Boardroom

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Toni Green  
BOT Presiding Member

### Kia ora koutou,

As Term Two races to a close, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our incredible staff for their ongoing commitment to our students and school. Your hard work, professionalism, and care are deeply appreciated by the Board of Trustees and the wider community. At our June meeting, Erin Pickering the Head of the English Department, addressed the board. She presented her annual report looking at

strengths and areas to keep working on. The report was thorough, carefully considered and immensely encouraging. The use of data to inform next steps was obvious, as was the intention to support every single learner to grow and find academic success. Erin and the English team can be very proud of the work they are doing for the young people in their care. Our students are very fortunate to be able to benefit from their overarching programmes designed to bring out the very best in them. Thank you for sharing the stories of success and current frustrations with us Erin.

To our parents and whānau – thank you for the important role you play in supporting your children to strive for their best. Whether it's in the classroom, on the sports field, on stage, or in a leadership role, it's clear that your encouragement and involvement help our students achieve highly and participate fully. This term has been full of opportunities for our students, many of which are celebrated in our newsletters each month. There is a strong correlation between academic success and being actively involved outside the classroom.

We're looking forward to welcoming families to our upcoming Open Day. It's a wonderful chance to share the vibrancy and strength of our school, and we're excited to showcase what makes it such a positive place to learn and grow. Our dual campus model is different and we believe offers us the opportunity to target students in Year 7 and 8 and focus on those integral years specifically, with all the advantages and synergies that come with being one school.

New Build One is progressing as expected at this stage, and a 100 tonne crane is now onsite which has added to the excitement of things really starting to move in this area. The new drama room, Studio One is inching closer. Some building delays have held this up but we are very hopeful for this to be up and running very soon.

As we head into the winter break, I'd like to wish you all a safe, restful, and enjoyable holiday. We hope you find time to relax and recharge with your loved ones.

Ngā mihi,  
Toni Green  
BOT Presiding Member

## Whānau Report

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Kia ora koutou,

It has been a huge term for our whānau and our kapa. This term, while only 9 weeks long, has included Manu Kōrero where our fabulous brave rangatahi took to the stage supported by their peers. Speaking on such a huge stage is something that they can and should be very proud of, just as we continue to be very proud of them. We raced almost immediately afterwards into Te Hautoka, the public performance and showcase of months of hard mahi from our kapa haka roopu. They stood on that stage with poise, power and innate strength. Showing who they are and where they come from. We are so very proud of them. In the build up, we performed for whānau and for the Hēmi Hākena Teina Kapa Haka roopu. To see the links and bonds between the two groups was humbling and very powerful. Kapa Haka is a more than a performance, it is a way of celebrating identity and

making connections. It is about being part of something that has gone before, and lighting the way for those who will come afterwards. To our students, whānau, tutors, teachers, ngā mihi nui ki a koutou for all you have done. You can see some lovely pics of our performance in this newsletter. If you wish to watch it in full, check out <https://tahufm.online/home/te-hautoka-2025>

Matariki performances have happened this term too! The word Matariki has two parts in Te Reo Māori: Mata" – meaning eyes and Ariki" – meaning chief, so together, Matariki is often translated as "the eyes of the chief." Matariki is often understood through three main themes:

Remembrance – Honouring those we have lost - Matariki begins with a time of mourning, where families remember loved ones who have passed during the year. It is a chance to speak their names, share stories, and acknowledge their lives in a collective space of aroha.

Celebration – Giving thanks for the present - After remembrance comes celebration — a time to share kai, enjoy music and dance, and spend time with whānau and friends. It's a joyful moment of gratitude for life, health, and community.

Aspiration – Looking ahead with hope - The final theme focuses on the future. People make wishes, set goals, and plant seeds for the coming year — both literally and metaphorically. Rangatahi especially are encouraged to think about their dreams, their role in caring for the world, and the kind of future they want to create.

Matariki themes encourage us to stop, pause and think about what is important. These are important messages for us all.

Hei kona mai,  
Matua Neitana



## Te Hautoka

We are incredibly proud of Te Kapa Haka Tuakana ō Hēmi Hākena who performed at Te Hautoka in Ōtepoti.

The months of practice and dedication really paid off and the roopu were awarded for their efforts with a third equal placing in Kāhahu and a third in Whakawātea, an outstanding achievement with 14 roopu performing.

Kā mihi nui to the tutors, whānau and kaiako who supported this campaign. Your encouragement and support was very much appreciated. We may have been in Dunedin but it certainly felt like a Southland crowd thanks to your support. Congratulations to everyone involved in Te Hautoka 2025. You represented yourselves, Hēmi Hākena and Murihiku incredibly well.



# James Hargest College - Board of Trustee Election 2025

Every three years all public schools in Aotearoa hold elections for their School Boards, and this is going to happen again in 2025.

The School Board is a key part of our school because they do a lot of important things behind the scenes that while they may not be visible, are really important to keeping our school running. Our board is made up of five parent vacancies, the Principal, a staff rep elected by the staff and a student rep elected by the students (in Year 9 to 13).

The board need to appoint a Returning Officer, who is responsible for the

running of the 2025 election and we have appointed Election Pilot so our election can be provided online. They have been assisting schools with elections for over 20 years and have been accredited by the Ministry of Education to provide online election services. Important things like the nomination and voting forms will be sent to you by email directly by Election Pilot. If we don't have an email address for you, Schooled Election Pilot will send these out to you by post.

Your name and contact details have been provided to Election Pilot to enable them to deliver election services for our school as required by legislation.

They will use your contact details for the provision of election services for James Hargest College only and your details will be deleted 60 days after the election date as required by legislation.

If you have any questions about the election process, the best people to talk to are the team at Schooled Election Pilot. You can contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or [election@electionpilot.nz](mailto:election@electionpilot.nz).

We will continue to keep you updated through the various stages of the election process, and our election date is the 10th September 2025.

## 2025 Youthmark Recipients

Over 60 Year 13 students were nominated for our prestigious Youthmark Awards. The committee had a very difficult job to allocate the 11 places we had been given. Congratulations to the following students. Your successes are many and varied and we look forward to celebrating you further as your boards and citations are completed. Well done to you all.

Amanda Henderson  
Libby Crawford  
Riley Faulkner  
Lucy Thomas  
Caleb Devery  
Bea Christie  
Cameron Fraser  
Samuel Elder  
Merrin McEwen  
Hamish McKenzie  
Jotaro Matsuo

### Highly Commended:

Cameron Labes  
Marylin Hodzi  
Chloe Savage  
Charlotte Morris



## Science

Some lucky classes were treated to a presentation from the Alpine Fault Science AF8 Roadshow – The Science Beneath Your Feet.



## Biology

Year 12 Biologists have been busy learning about natural selection. Students are assigned different beaks, some of which are better adapted to the food available in their environment than others!



## Scholarship and Academic Excellence Awards

This week we welcomed back our top scholars from the Year 13 class of 2024 and their whānau. We wanted to celebrate their impressive achievements. Our current Year 12's and 13's were in the audience to hear about the wonderful things these rangatahi accomplished whilst at James Hargest College. One aspect which was obvious was how highly these people achieved not just academically, but in their chosen sporting, cultural and service fields as well. It was lovely to catch up with them and see what they are up to next.

Extract from Guest Speaker Shea Smith's speech:

*Shea: Every time I have made that slightly irrational choice, to expand the horizons of my knowledge just a little bit, the domain understanding and the skills I have learned have reaped dividends in the years that followed. Next time you have such a choice, don't be afraid to take the unorthodox, irrational path if it means you gain knowledge. You might be surprised how useful it will turn out to be.*

Charlotte Dassen spoke on behalf of the class of 2025. She shared thoughts about the unhelpful nature of comparing ourselves to others and managing change. Her words were inspiring and insightful. She concluded by saying: *I started this speech by talking about how rubbish I am at painting. I probably won't ever be good. What matters is the process of how the painting is made, specifically the love you pour into every detail, all the choices and difficulties you face when making something. It's ok not to be the best. You need to learn how to enjoy the process.*



Below top, from left: Irene Tendeau, Charlotte Dassen, Fahim Firdaus, Tequin Lake, Jasmine Marshall, Jordan Marshall, guest speaker and alumnus Shea Smith.



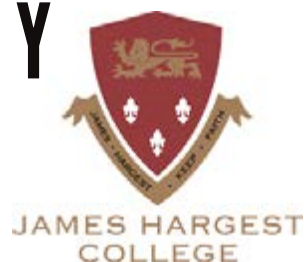
# Reporting at JHC

## Senior Campus

This week you will be receiving your child's assessment summary report. This report will contain grades they have earned across their subjects in the first half this year, as well as a reflection from your child and their teacher. The purpose of this report is to consolidate all of the grades you have received in real time through live reporting into one document to help you see patterns or trends. Please take the time to go through this report with your child and make contact with your child's classroom teacher if you have any queries.

We also have some standardised assessments in the report for students in year 7-10. These are results earned in a single, timed assessment event. These results should be read in conjunction with the results in classes which generally show what students can achieve over a longer period of time, and often with feedback and support from their teacher. Learning to perform to the best of their ability under test conditions is something that becomes very important when preparing for the NCEA Common Assessment Activities, and hence we have started reporting on these assessments to give you and your child an indicator of their readiness for these assessments.

# THE HARGEST WAY RESPECT



## RELATED JHC VALUES:

We respect each other - Ka manaakitia tētahi ki tētahi

We treat people fairly - Ka mihia tika te iwi katoa  
We take care of our environment - Tiakina tō mātoa nohonga taiao

### A 5 FOR RESPECT

- You **always** wear your uniform correctly
- You **always** treat others with respect
- You are **always** open to learning
- You **always** push in your chair and put things away when you are finished

### A 4 FOR RESPECT

- You **usually** wear your uniform correctly
- You **usually** treat others with respect
- **Most of the time** you demonstrate manaakitanga
- You listen in class **the majority of the time**

### A 3 FOR RESPECT

- You wear your uniform correctly **much of the time**
- You are **often** respectful to others
- You **frequently** listen and work well with others
- You **often** push in your chair and put things away

### A 2 FOR RESPECT

- You wear your uniform correctly **half of the time**
- You only listen **at times**
- You are only **occasionally** respectful outside of your peer group

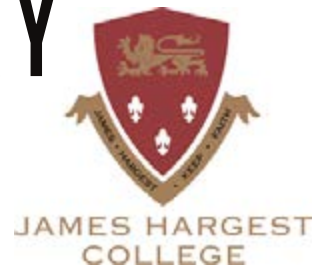
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### A 1 FOR RESPECT

- You **rarely** wear your uniform correctly
- You are **seldom** respectful to your teacher
- You are **not often** respectful to your peers
- You argue about school rules and expectations



# THE HARGEST WAY EFFORT



## RELATED JHC VALUES:

We work hard - Tino kaha tō matou mahi  
We are responsible for all we do - Ka whakautu tūtika mātou ki nga kaupapa katoa

### A 5 FOR EFFORT

- You are **always** prepared for learning
- You **always** try your best
- You **always** complete all homework tasks
- You **always** contribute effectively in a group

### A 4 FOR EFFORT

- You are **usually** on task
- You **usually** complete all schoolwork
- You complete your homework **most of the time**
- You work hard **the majority of the time**

### A 3 FOR EFFORT

- You work hard and are on task **much of the time** (three out of four lessons)
- You **often** complete your classwork
- You **frequently** work well by yourself and with others

### A 2 FOR EFFORT

- You work hard around **half of the time**
- You need reminders to keep on task **at times**
- You **sometimes** complete your homework
- You **occasionally** work effectively in a group

### A 1 FOR EFFORT

- You **rarely** complete your classwork
- You are **seldom** on task
- Your work is rushed and below your capability
- You **rarely** complete all homework tasks

What is it that successful students do? Something that is a common denominator for success in schools is the ability to read broadly and deeply. Reading gives our students an opportunity to learn anything. It allows for freedom of thought, and it can instil curiosity in the world. As a proud educational institution our focus is helping students to enjoy their learning experience so that they leave our gates as pursuers of lifelong learning. Continuous reading allows for continuous education.

A key gift a parents can give to their child's schooling is the ability to develop reading habits and instil the notion of reading for pleasure. OECD research shows that reading for pleasure is a more important influence than socio-economic background and that children who read for pleasure have a one-and-a-half-year advantage over their peers.

Some advocates for reading will suggest that it does not matter what students read as long as they are reading and enjoying the process. This statement is true to a point. Quality literature is critical as it develops sustained thinking and expands cultural and social awareness.

Reading is a gift. It is the difference between the educated and the uneducated and, as Mark Twain stated, "The man who does not read has no advantage over the man who cannot read." Parents who encourage good reading habits at home support students in all areas of the curriculum.

# Reflecting on History: H9JWN's September 11 Murals

This term in Social Studies, H9JWN has been exploring how the ideas and actions of people in the past have significantly impacted lives. We focused on the September 11 attacks, a pivotal event that reshaped global perspectives and had profound consequences on the world. To help us understand the immediate impact and lasting significance, one of our activities involved creating powerful collages. Students used newspaper front pages and headlines from the day of the attacks, transforming them into symbolic images that captured the weight and emotion of that moment. This hands-on project allowed students to connect with history in a unique and meaningful way.

### Quinn O'Boyle (right)

My image shows the headlines as the city buildings. They are coloured orange to show the anger or confusion from the people in those buildings at the time of the attack and the red background is a tribute to all the bloodshed.

### Sophie Winder (below)

I chose the shape of a plane to represent the passenger planes that were hijacked and crashed on the day of 9\11. I chose some of the headlines to represent how that day felt for so many people including the families of those on the planes. The orange represents fire and the grey represents the colour of the plane.



### Taylor Lemm (right)

I chose to create an eye because on the day of 9/11 there were so many eyes watching the twin tower collapsing. In the corner of the eye I chose to create a tear signifying how sad 9/11 was for the whole world. These words that I chose are all from newspaper articles about 9/11, the word in the middle I think is more important only because it was a huge massacre on N.Y.C.

### Aiden Young (right)

I choose this image because it is an attack on the heart of America and how it changed it forever. I decided on these headlines from 911 to show the anger of American citizens.



## SSR/SSW Sustained Silent Reading/Writing

Imagine there was a new treatment that would rewire your brain. It would provide an improved attention span and memory, and a better understanding of complex and abstract ideas. It would improve sleep quality and mood, and reduce anxiety. It would even make you more empathetic and understanding of other's lives. It would be a miracle treatment, right? In our busy, ever-changing and increasingly stressed and anxious world, who would not want all those things for themselves and their children.

Strong research findings show that reading does all those things. However, it is a 20-minute treatment. It takes 20 minutes of reading on a regular basis for your brain to start developing those new, more efficient neural pathways that help to provide many of those benefits.

We are concerned by the number of students who believe that they cannot sit and read for 20 minutes. They tell us that they do not have the attention span. At JHC Senior Campus Monday - Thursday after lunch is SSR or SSW. The point is to build reading or writing mileage and make it a regular part of the day. We ask whānau to support us in this endeavour. Talk to students about what they are reading or writing. Encourage them to read at home. We have fantastic library facilities at both campuses and awesome librarians who can help students find books they will enjoy. Reach out if you need support with this. We are happy to help.

# Social Science Fair

## Senior Campus

As part of the Year 9 Social Studies course, students were able to enter the Social Science Fair for 2025, with the chance to win a monetary prize. This year saw a record number of boards entered, as well as large groups through the doors of the fair.

Congratulations to the following students for winning a prize.

### Year 9 - 13

- Merit - Sofia Smellie & Georgia Webster (T9CBS) - What is the difference between Urban/Rural living in NZ?
- Merit - E.J. Song (M9NSW) - Do we Care?
- Merit - Nico Wandless (T9CBS) - Enough beds, enough care?

### National Council of Women prize for the best project on women's issues

- Merit - Lexi Greiving and Lucy McDonald (H9JWN) - Girls on the Sidelines

### Conflict

- 2nd - E.J. Song (M9NSW) - Do we Care? The Russo-Ukraine Conflict
- Merit - Eli Burgess (M9NSW) - Operation Grapple



### Disasters

- 1st - Nehan Kurukulaarachchi (H9JWN) - Earth's Tipping Point
- 2nd - Sam Lindsay (W9GZG) - Pike River

### Heritage

- Merit - Eli Burgess (M9NSW) - Operation Grapple

### Health

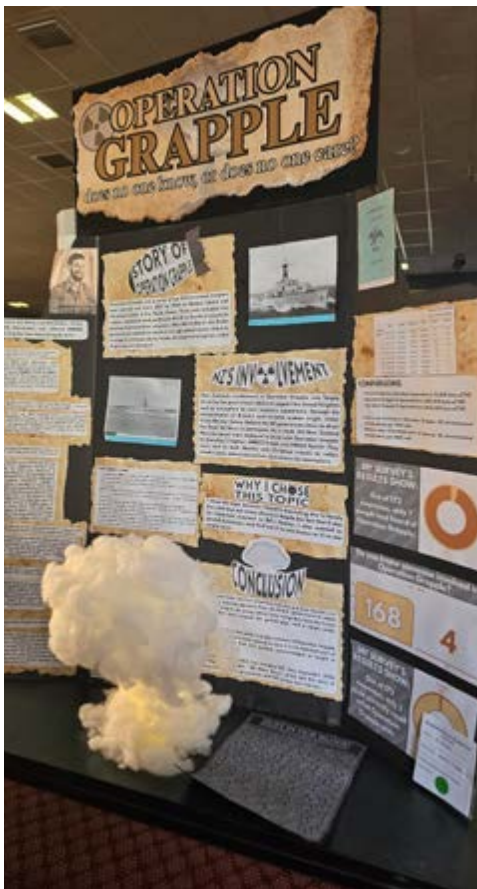
- Merit - Teegyn Dillinger-Waldron & Sophie Weatherall (M9NSW) - Need a Hand? The Life and Challenges of Tamzyn Dillinger

### Genealogy

- 2nd - Amelia Sutherland (T9CSN) - Sutherland, what's in a name?

### Sport and Leisure

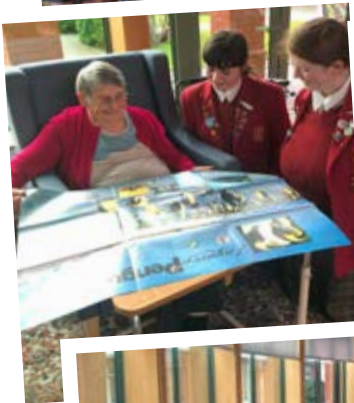
- 2nd - Max Meijer (H9MFE) - Basketball in Southland
- Merit - Abbie Dawson & Alexandria Curtis (W9TBT) - The History of Swimming
- Merit - Risindi Fonseka (M9NSW) - Russian Figure Skaters
- Merit - Lexie Grieving and Lucy McDonald (H9JWN) - Girls on the Sidelines.



## Junior Campus Music

The Junior Campus Choir and Band performed on June 3rd at a recent 'Age Concern' Concert. It was a wonderful experience with over 50 students sharing music with a range of people from our community.

Our Junior Campus Ukulele Group visited the local Hospice and shared some songs with them at their regular community connection event. We shared songs and enjoyed singing some familiar tunes together, finishing with a ukulele rendition of 'Hēmi Hākena' which went down very well with our audience.



## Ancora and Cantabella At Peacehaven

Members of our two choirs Ancora and Cantabella visited Peacehaven on June 6th for a musical Outreach. During the visit the choirs didn't perform to the residents, but rather spread themselves around the room and sang with the residents. Outreach is about encouraging others to sing and a lovely way for the choir members to give back to their community. There was much chatting and sharing of stories. The songs were old favourites such as My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean, Loch Lomond and Que Sera Sera. As the pictures show, it was an afternoon well spent and we look forward to doing more Outreach visits later in the year.

## Rockquest

The Southland Rockquest final was held in the Civic Theatre on Friday June 13th. James Hargest was represented by the band Brazen Fist comprising of five year 13 students: Draven Booth (vocals), Ollie Wilkinson (bass), Hunter Colyer (lead guitar), Finn Edwards (rhythm guitar) and Cameron Fraser (drums). The band gave an energetic and electrifying performance that was relished by the audience.



## Chamber Music

The Southland Chamber Music final was held on Tuesday June 6th at Repertory House. Seventeen students from James Hargest took part, including two from the Junior Campus. Our students were a part of several groups that won awards including:

Overall winner and winner of Best performance of a NZ work: Prismatic (Jotaro Matsuo and Jonti Dillinger)

Highly commended: Black Box Rhythms (Ben McKenzie, Madison Neylon and Lucy Thomas); Musically Challenged (Finn Edwards and Lachie Checketts), Simply Saxy (Olivia Scarlett).

Adjudicator's Award (Jotaro Matsuo, Lachie Calvert, and Hannah Dick).

Jarman Waddell Challenge Cup (People's choice): Musically Challenged.

We were delighted to have not only Prismatic but also Black Box Rhythms selected to play at the South Island Regional finals in Christchurch on Saturday June 14. This is a fantastic achievement as it is the top 36 groups in New Zealand that reach this level. The students had a marvellous time playing in the beautiful venue, and played beautifully receiving excellent feedback from the adjudicators. Thank you to our itinerant percussion teacher Trinity Waddell for all her work with the three percussion groups.



## Reminders from the Senior Campus Attendance Office

Students in years 9 & 10 are granted 5 consecutive days of justified leave due to illness, sick days thereafter are coded unjustified unless supported by a medical certificate.

Students in years 11 - 13 are granted 3 consecutive days of justified leave due to illness, sick days thereafter are coded unjustified unless supported by a medical certificate.

During the school day if your child communicates with you that they feel unwell, please remind them to follow the procedure of registering in the Sick Bay. Students caught

using their phones will have them confiscated, this applies to the Sick Bay also.

There are no special requirements for COVID. If you are collecting your child from school for any reason during the day please notify us prior to them leaving or provide your child with a note.

To apply to take your child out of school for an extended length of time (eg holiday) please apply in writing to Miss Caroline Raynes, Associate Principal [craynes@jameshargest.school.nz](mailto:craynes@jameshargest.school.nz)

## Big Sing Regional Contest

The Big Sing is a series of regional competitions held throughout New Zealand that celebrate choral singing. On Tuesday the 17th of June James Hargest had two choirs representing the school at the Southland Big Sing Regional Competition: Ancora, the all comers, non-auditioned choir, and Cantabella, an auditioned female chamber choir. In the Southland Big Sing competition this year there were eight choirs competing for five different trophies. Cantabella took away two of the trophies: the Best Performance of an Art Song/"Other" Song, and the Best Performance of a piece in Te Reo Māori. Cantabella have also been selected as one of the top choirs in the South Island to perform at Cadenza in Timaru in August.

Both choirs competed with passion and joy! We are so proud of both choirs and the manner with which they conducted themselves. We look forward to seeing where they go from here in the future.



## Junior Campus Ukulele Group

Members of our Junior Campus Ukulele Group (along with several other students) were very excited to be unwrapping 12 new ukuleles. We have been gifted the ukuleles through the New Zealand Ukulele Trust. Our special thanks to Lyn McAllister Music who has kindly sponsored our school to receive the gift of these ukuleles. This will benefit all of our students at the Junior Campus, as many of them will be using them during our Spec Music sessions. The gifted ukuleles will enable us to have full class sessions on the ukuleles as previously we only had enough for about half of a class. It is great to see the number of ukulele players coming through from Primary School entering the Junior Campus. We look forward to continuing to develop our ukulele skills and enjoy sharing music within our wider community.

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# Wāhi Tapu



**Not So Major Production**

## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Jo Buist and David Pottinger

After putting together last year's show – The Key – which featured a number of English legends, I thought about using material from closer to home. Luckily the Māori myths provided a number of wonderful characters and I wondered how today's teenagers would go when confronted with them. The suggestion that the red hair and pale skin first came to New Zealand many, many years ago, brought by a group of Celtic travellers (a story found in other Polynesian countries) only added to the intriguing narrative that makes up our country's mythical history, and provided the inspiration for the character of Kehu.







## ShowQuest JUNIOR CAMPUS

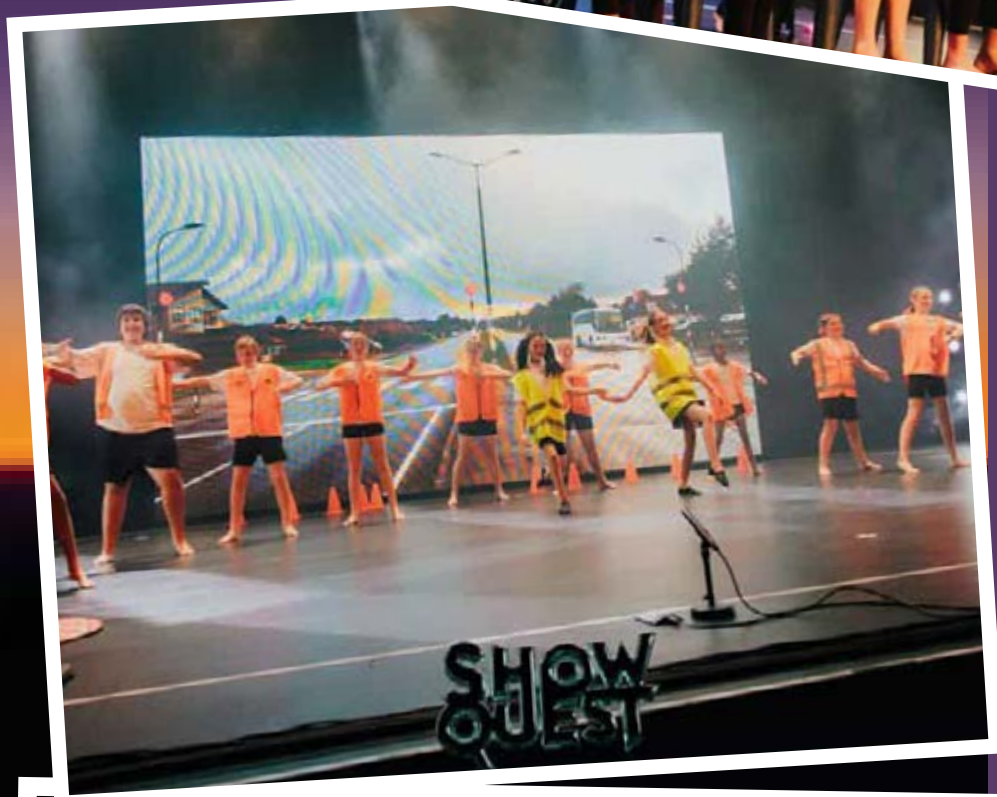
We're so proud of our Junior Campus Showquest team who competed at the Civic Theatre for the Otago/Southland round. They came away with:

- 1st - Junior Section
- Excellence in Dance
- Excellence in Music
- Excellence in Technology

Our two leads, Sofia and Abigail also shared the Junior Whetū Rangatahi prize as Stars of the Show!

We're excited for Nationals at the end of July where we compete against schools all across Aotearoa.

Thank so much to our whānau for all of their support!



## ShowQuest SENIOR CAMPUS

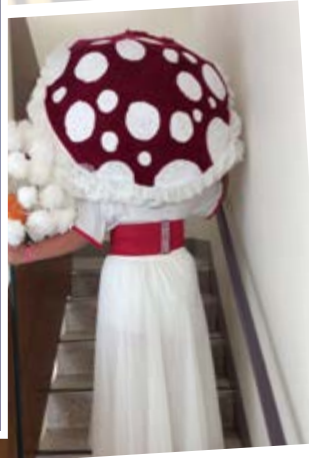
“Te Taurangi o Ao Rua - The Promise of Two Worlds”, was the theme for Hēmi Hākena’s Senior Campus performance at Showquest this year. Our performance delved into the heart of Aotearoa’s history and brought our founding document, Te Tiriti o Waitangi to life and explored the aspirations, conflicts, and consequences created in our country. 2025 was one of our biggest years yet for Showquest with 60 students involved either in the planning, choreography, costuming, lighting design, backstage crew or onstage performing. Our student leaders have worked tirelessly since term four of 2024 to bring together this special performance. Ngā mihi nui to Lucy Thomas and Grace Warren for their leadership and dedication and congratulations on winning the award for Student Leadership, it is well deserved. Our performance also earned us

- Excellence in Culture
- Recognition in Drama
- Special Leadership Award: Liam Templeton
- 3RD = OVERALL PLACING

A special mention also goes to our wider leadership team, Brooke Acker, Madison McCarroll, Keeley Thornton, Lexie Caudwell, Natalie Smith, Olivia Thomas, Emma Winder, Harris Evans, Eviah Kennedy, and Logan Jordan. Thank you to everyone else who was involved as well, you all contributed to the success of Showquest 2025. Bring on Showquest 2026!







# TOI Wearable Arts

## Junior Campus

Showquest Toi 2025, held at the Civic Theatre on June 9, was a fantastic event with 11 garments entered from the Junior Campus. In all, 23 designers and creators were involved. Once the entries were on the stage and teamed up with awesome Showquest lighting and great music the entries just came alive! It was wonderful to see the finished projects finally on show.

Congratulations to everyone involved - staff, students and parents. It's a long process, involving many dark mornings and hundreds of hot glue sticks, but it's well worth the effort. Congratulations to all Toi participants with a special mention to Ellim Kim who received several awards: Outstanding Stage Presence, Excellent Garment Construction, Innovative Use of Materials and the Star of the Show Award with her incredible Mushroom Pixie.

Annie McCann, Tia Boutcher and Lucia Sewpersad received an Innovative Use of Materials Award with their entry Murky Waters and Olivia Turner and Grayce Padget who received a Stage Presence Award as well for their creation Peacock Paradise.

May you all never stop creating!

## Year 13 Photography

Joseph Maynard, Year 13, made a time lapse video of the recent Aurora. Scan the code or click the link to view. [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BVBVY8QtDy\\_5O2ugyqChwJasHda\\_8nE/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BVBVY8QtDy_5O2ugyqChwJasHda_8nE/view?usp=sharing)



## Digital Technologies

### Junior Campus

During Term 1, 7 and 8 Enrich Digital Technologies students created a giant map of Central Invercargill and programmed Spheroes to travel along the roads to historic landmarks such as the Water Tower, Civic Theatre, Railway Hotel and Borstal. As the sphero stopped at each landmark, the sphero would 'talk' telling us key information about the landmark. This project was challenging for students as there were many variables to consider when programming the sphero to move along the roads and talk, persistence was required! Whānau visited at the end of the project to celebrate the achievement of their tamariki.



## Duke of Edinburgh Awards

Duke of Edinburgh is a fabulous organisation that teaches rangatahi the value of passions, skills, service and challenges. Duke of Edinburgh builds confidence, resilience, accountability and organisation. To join or find out more, see Ms Smith at the Senior Campus.

Congratulations to Jesse Van Beek who has recently received his Bronze award.



## PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS YEARS 9 -13

Wednesday 6th August  
2:30pm - 7:00pm

These interviews will be face-to-face at the James Hargest College Senior Campus.

The link to make interviews will be sent out at the end of July, around two weeks before the interviews will take place.

The Senior Campus will close at 1:15pm on Wednesday 6th August.

# WHĀNAU KŌRERO

Each year Matariki is celebrated as a public holiday in Aotearoa New Zealand. For centuries it has been celebrated by tangata whenua to mark the start of te maramataka, the lunar calendar, as well as the Māori New Year. It is a time to gather with family and friends to reflect on the past, celebrate the present, and plan for the future.

The growth of Matariki in importance and relevance marks the continuing enlightenment and depth of understanding that New Zealanders as a whole have of the special culture that is indigenous to all who call Aotearoa home. Matariki is a star cluster which appears in the night sky during mid-winter making it an important marker on the harvest calendar. It appears sometime around the shortest day of the year and is used to determine how successful the harvest crop will be in the coming season.



It is important for all children of Aotearoa New Zealand to learn about Matariki, so it can lead to a more harmonious and united future. Matariki celebrations will be happening all over the country. All whanau are encouraged to join in and support young people as they learn the importance and joy of Matariki.

This Special Report discusses the importance of Matariki and how whanau can celebrate together. Here is the link to your special report:

[https://jameshargest.nz.schooltv.me/wellbeing\\_news/special-report-celebrating-matariki](https://jameshargest.nz.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-celebrating-matariki)



SPECIAL REPORT

## Celebrating Matariki



### Whānau Kōrero

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## Japanese Trivia Quiz

Year 7 -10

On June 13th, Hargest hosted the Southland section of the NZAJLT Year 7-10 Japanese Trivia Quiz. 6 Hargest teams competed. A special mention must go to Luna Kang, Keira Alford, Liz Castaneda and Nishtha Patel, (Year 8 - Left, L-R) who were placed first in the Southland Year 7/8 section. Liz was also awarded Best Equal Costume. Congratulations also goes to Dustin Rohde, Eli Burgess and River Bowen (Year 9 - below Right, L-R) who placed 2nd in Southland. Oliver Crimp (Year 10) and Crue Milne (Year 9) (Below left, L-R) placed 3rd in Southland. Congratulations to all!  
おめでとうございます。





## International Languages Week

### Junior Campus

Junior Campus students celebrated International Languages Week. They were treated to a daily quiz, cultural food such as Suspiros and Chocolate Eclairs. Each lunchtime, there was an activity. The students had a lot of fun taking part in El Tejo, Kendama, and Petanque.



## Readers' Cup



The Southland Interschool Readers' Cup competition was held on Monday 16 June at the Ascot Hotel. James Hargest had three teams competing in this year's competition. The teams came in 3rd, 6th and 9th place. Well done to all the students involved and congratulations to our 3rd place team of Trixie Campbell, Liliana Clinckett, Keziah Walker and Thomas Walker. You participated well and hopefully read some really good books!



## Southland Interschool Japanese Speech Competition

Students of Japanese participated in the Southland Interschool Japanese Speech Competition on June 24th. The Year 9 students performed a role play in pairs in Japanese. The Year 10-13 students presented between a 1 and 3 minute speech and then answered 2 questions in Japanese about it. Congratulations to the following Hargest students who were placed:

### Year 9 Section

2nd – Aanya Shankar & Will Allen

3rd - Matthew Banzuelo & Jake Donald

### Year 10 Section

1st – Seungwoo Pyo

### Year 11 Section

1st – Haylee Donald

2nd - Katrine Anqui

### Year 12 Section

3rd – Cissie Lung

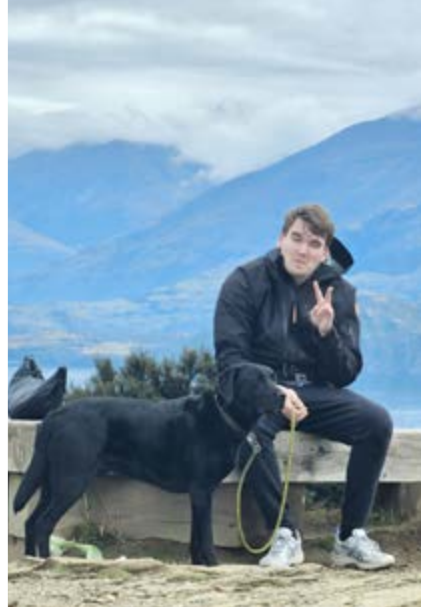
### Year 13 Section

1st – Irene Tendean

2nd - Eviah Kennedy

3rd – Ben Richardson





## International Happenings

International Students are making the most of southern life! Thank you to all our awesome homestay families for the opportunities you give our students.



# James Hargest College Ball





Here is a selection of photos from our 2025 Ball which was a truly delightful occasion. Special thanks to the wonderful Ms Taylor and Mr Redmond for their leadership, and guidance. Thanks to the dedicated team of dance teachers. We were proud of our class of 2025 and the way they conducted themselves. It was a wonderful evening of glamour and joy.



Recently, the two year 12 Business Studies classes presented their 'Pitch' at the Chamber of Commerce. This is part of the Young Enterprise Programme and contributes to their final grade. Each group pitched their ideas, which included where they are at in their business journey and their intentions, to a group of five judges. These local business people then asked further questions and collaborated to come up with scores and regional placings. Our students were mature and professional in their approach and enjoyed the experience. The businesses include an NCEA co-requisite digital programme, sports coaching and mentoring,



## Year 12 YES Business Studies Pitch

## Year 13 Mathematics



Mrs Forde's Year 12 Maths class was lucky enough to have ex student Emily Donlevy visit and talk about her studies for a Bachelor of Surveying at the University of Otago. She talked about the many different types of surveying and the collegiality of the 75 students in her class at Surveying School. The students were very interested to hear what the course was like and also the many opportunities to be out in the field.

# JAMES HARGEST COLLEGE OPEN DAY

This will be held at the Junior Campus on:

**SUNDAY 20 JULY 12.30-2.30pm**

*Students at both campuses will be asked to help.  
This is a great way for students to participate in  
helping others get to know our school.*

## INFORMATION EVENING

for parents of students new to Hargest in 2026

*Questions welcomed on all topics and issues*

Tuesday 22 July at 5.30pm - Junior Campus Library

## TOURS OF THE SCHOOL

- Tuesday 22 July - Friday 25 July
- Tuesday 22 July - Friday 1 August (Junior Campus only)
- Monday 28 July - Tuesday 29 July (Senior Campus only)
- Monday 4 August - Friday 8 August

Please phone 2176129 to book

Junior Campus: 9.15am    Senior Campus: 10.10am



## Term Dates for 2025

### Term 2:

Friday 27 June: Last day of Term 2

### Term 3:

Monday 14 July: Start of Term 3

Friday 19 September: Last day of Term 3

### Term 4:

Monday 6 October: Start of Term 4

## MINDS IN MOTION

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Able Minds invite  
you to join our group  
for parents and  
whanau who have a  
child in their life with  
ADHD or Autism

We aim to  
EMPOWER, EDUCATE  
and CONNECT  
parents with free  
support from Able  
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New location and night group:  
Arts Murihku - Whare Taupua  
34 Forth St

First Thursday of each month  
1pm-2.30pm  
5.30pm-7pm

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT:  
zavana@able.org.nz or 021360096  
www.able.org.nz



# Winter Uniform Update

A reminder about the correct wearing of James Hargest College uniform for the winter season.

- Kilts or A-line skirts may be worn throughout the year at both the Junior and Senior Campus. Skirts must be of a reasonable length, neither very short nor longer than mid-calf. Long pants are available as an alternative for the winter skirt/kilt.
- Undergarments may be a plain white t-shirt, merino or polyprop worn under the white shirt/blouse/ for extra warmth (should not be visible below blouse/shirt hems or sleeves). Black or white may be worn under the grey shirt. Blazers may be worn at the Senior Campus Year 11-13.
- Scarves and beanies are optional but must be the school standard cardinal red with gold stripe. School beanies are available on the Kooga website (Kooga.co.nz).
- Black or other coloured scarves are not to be worn. Gloves must be black.
- Any **plain black** weatherproof jacket (not cotton) may be worn to and from school. The Kooga JHC jackets are available to order from the Kooga website along with the school hoodies. The Kooga jackets may be worn at any time. The school hoodies are only to be worn with the PE uniform, not with the formal uniform.

Please ensure all students have the correct uniform items.

Shoes need to be plain black leather, laced dress shoes.

For example:



They are NOT to be soft leather or canvas material such as:



## Softshell Jackets

We have full sizing samples at both Senior and Junior Campuses. Enquire at the office. The key points are;

- Orders are online - there is no physical shop.
- Hoodie orders are closed off weekly. (Delivered the following week)



## Year 10 Hard Materials

Students have been working hard on their personalised coat hooks. Christine Wallace has created a lovely product.



# HARGEST STUDY CENTRE

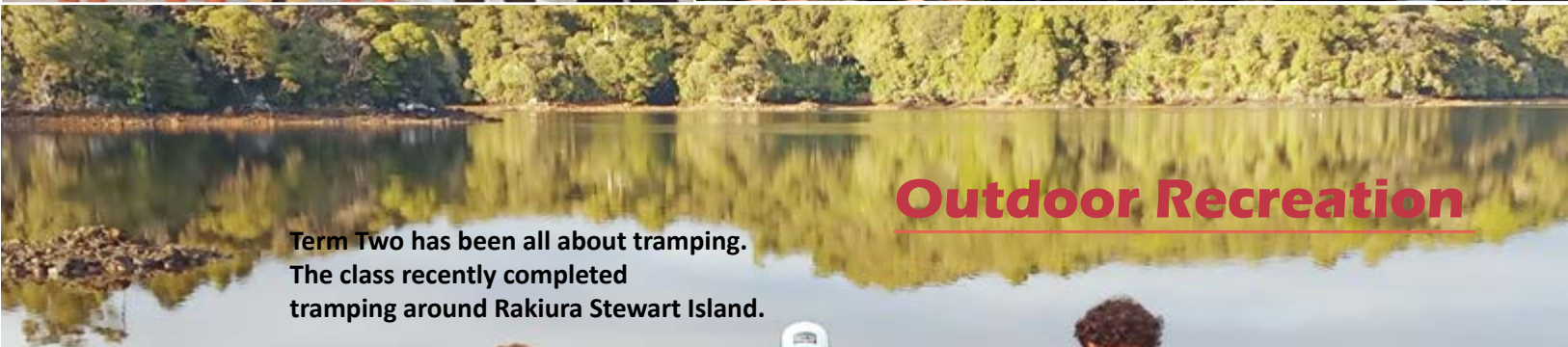
Senior Campus Library  
Tuesdays 3.30 - 5.00pm

Get **FREE** help with Maths, English, Science, Physics and Chemistry, or any subject you need a hand with.



Teachers, Librarian and Peer Tutors available to help with homework, research, exam study, and classwork.

Afternoon tea provided by the PTA.



## Outdoor Recreation

Term Two has been all about tramping. The class recently completed tramping around Rakiura Stewart Island.





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Title: On Fire  
Category: Freedom



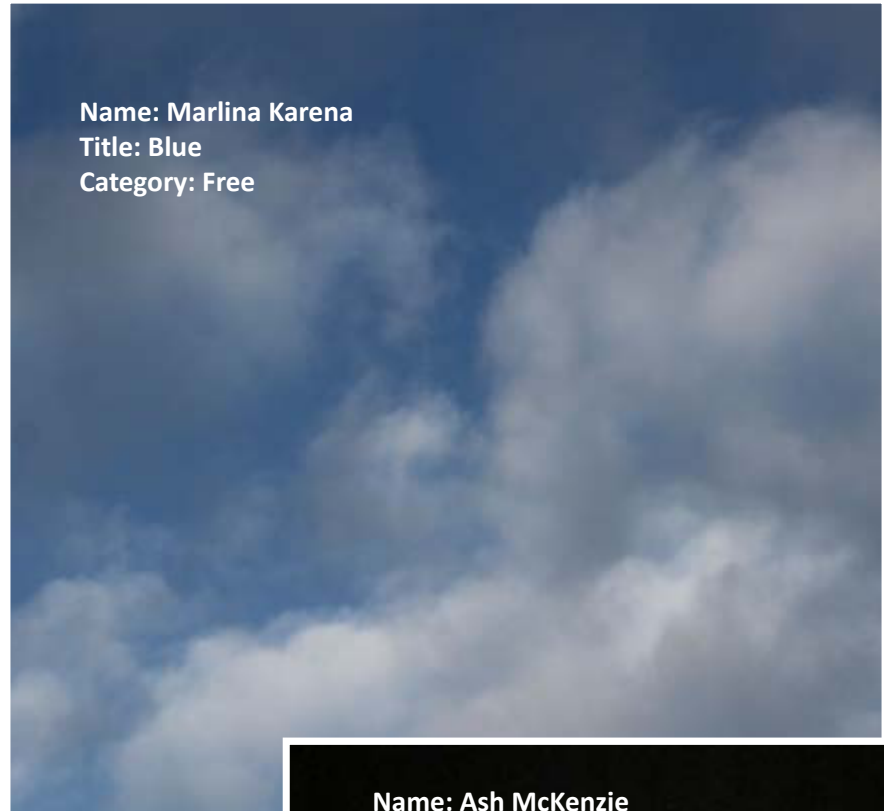
Name: Jaykob Fearn  
Title: My Freedom  
Category: Freedom

## Year 12 Photography

The Year 12 class have been competing in a photo challenge recently. The prompt: HAVE FUN!



Name: Cody Blair  
Title: Winter Nights  
Category: Free



Name: Marlina Karena  
Title: Blue  
Category: Free



Name: Jaykob Fearn  
Title: The Sky Above  
Category: Freedom



Name: Ash McKenzie  
Title: "The World at My Fingertips"  
Category: Free



# Cambridge International Education

James Hargest College is pleased to be an accredited Cambridge International Education school. If you would like to find out more about how Cambridge works in New Zealand, have a look at their website: <https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/nz/about-us/cambridge-international-in-new-zealand/>

There are further links on their site including Why Cambridge? A guide for parents: <https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/Images/284344-why-cambridge-.pdf>

We will be offering a Cambridge pathway for students who are Year 10 in 2026. Shortly, we will be seeking expressions of interest from students and their whānau for this class who will study the following IGCSE subjects:

**Mathematics**  
**English**  
**Science**  
**Global Perspectives**

Students will study these subjects instead of the core Year 10 curriculum. They will still be able to study two other optional subjects.

We will invite anyone who is interested to

hear more about Cambridge and how it works at JHC to an information evening in Term Three. If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact [amcdowall@jameshargest.school.nz](mailto:amcdowall@jameshargest.school.nz)

We are thrilled to be able to offer this alternative pathway and know that the opportunity to gain an internationally recognised qualification will appeal to some of our learners.





## **Wakatipu High School Exchange**

The annual interschool was hosted recently at JHC, on a very cold and damp day which made conditions challenging, especially for the events based outside. Events were spread out over the course of the day because there were a number of students competing in more than one sport which was great to see.

While some results were a little one sided, the majority of the games were competitive and close, all played in great spirit and with positive sportsmanship from both sides.

We would like to thank all the officials who controlled games and contributed to the success of the exchange.

There were 2 draws, however overall JHC won the event 7 games to 3.





## Results

### Basketball

1st V Boys	51 - 57	Wakatipu
1st V Girls	71 - 29	JHC
Junior Boys	50 - 43	JHC

### Rugby

U15 Boys	15 - 10	JHC
Girls	17 - 10	JHC

### Netball

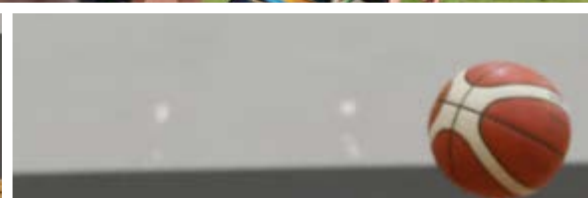
Senior A	39 - 32	JHC
10A	30 - 28	JHC
9A	23 - 30	Wakatipu

### Hockey

Boys 1st XI	5 - 4	JHC
Girls 1st XI	0 - 0	DRAW

### Football

Boys 1st XI	2 - 2	DRAW
Girls 1st XI	0 - 5	Wakatipu



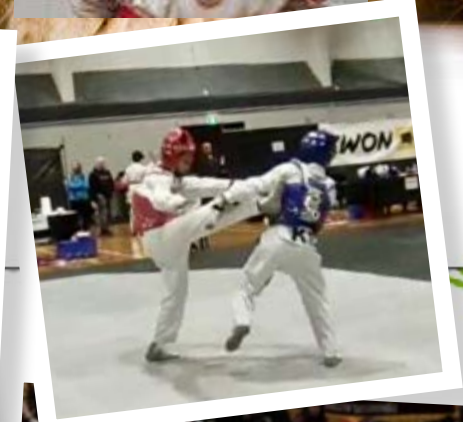
## Speedway Awards

Kadin Cracknell has been nominated for 2 categories in the Speedway New Zealand Awards coming up in July. He has been nominated for Junior Solo Competitor of the Year And Youth Saloon Competitor of the Year. Kadin races out of Oreti Park Speedway on his bike and Riverside Speedway for his car.



## Taekwondo

JHC students from the XL Performance club that competed at the Kukkiwon tournament in Christchurch recently. Cameron Hughes, James Rees, Raine Murphy, Aidan and Anthony Perren all competed. Well done to you all!



✓ JHC FIRST XI GIRLS HOCKEY PRESENTS...

 **JINGO MADNESS NIGHT!**

(It's like bingo, but louder and cooler)

 **14th July – 6:30 PM**

 **Waikiwi Tavern**

 **AWESOME PRIZES AND AUCTIONS**

**Bring your mates**



## Southland Secondary School Netball Championships

This event was held last weekend, and it was another successful day for Hargest netball! All 4 teams entered finished in the top 4 of their grade which is a great result. 9 A started their grade well with an easy win, then they came up against a strong Wakatipu team. The team played well but could not gain the win, so they finished second in their pool. This put them through to the semi finals where they ended up playing Wakatipu for the third time in 4 days in the 3rd – 4th play off. Again the team played well but could not manage to gain the win, finishing a strong 4th place overall. This was the first tournament experience for the team, and the learning taken from it will stand them in good stead as they head to the SISS Junior Tournament during the July holidays.

The Gold B team went through their pool unbeaten, having only 1 close game against Fiordland College. This qualified them for the semis, where they played strongly against the CSC B team to come away with a good win. The team played strongly against the Wakatipu B team in the final, and they held their own for the whole game before

losing 26 – 17. They should feel proud of their 2nd placing overall.

Both 10 A and Gold A had very strong tournaments, both teams coming in to the day as defending champions. Both teams went through the day unbeaten which was a great result for Hargest, finishing at the top of the Junior and Senior grades.

Gold A had some convincing wins in their pool play, including a pleasing win over CSC by 5 goals. They then convincingly beat Wakatipu in the semi, to set up a final against SGHS – a team they are meeting often this year. The final was a great game with some great netball played by both teams, with Hargest coming out on top 24 – 20.

10 A also had some convincing wins in their pool, although the game against Wakatipu ended up being a closely fought battle to the final whistle. The team then went on to play some of their best netball of the tournament, easily beating CSC in the semi before convincingly beating Wakatipu 20 – 8 in the final.

Thank you very much to all the coaches and managers for their work with the teams at this tournament, and to the parents and supporters for their encouragement and enthusiasm!





## Kartsports

JHC students are achieving all over the countryside! Three Hargest Students were racing in Blenheim and Nelson recently in the Sunbelts Kartsport series. Dani Aitken (placed 4th) and Stefan Maynard (placed 5th) were racing in the Briggs Light category. Jacob Early placed 4th in the Rotax max lights. We are very proud of you all!



## Rugby

Congratulations to the following students who have made it though to the Supreme Site Works Southland Under 16 Rugby squad. Good luck for the next stage lads!

- |                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Harry Godsall-Folster | Thomas Turner   |
| Karolis McClymont     | Joshua McIntyre |
| Hunter Beck           | Ethan McLardy   |
| Matthew Labes         | Alfred Skelton  |
| Will Brown            | Fynn Robson     |
| Jesse Batchelor       |                 |

Photo credit: Harris Evans

# Aerobics

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Hargest had several students represent them at the Pacific open Aerobics comps. This involved athletes from NZ, Australia and the Czech Republic. JHC students had some amazing results.



The students who attended were:  
Pyper Brown                      Maddison McLeod  
Brooke Acker                      Jasmine Caudwell  
Emma Winder  
Sophie Purdon  
Kaitlyn Madden



## Results:

Pyper Brown - 1st under 19 division 1

Sophie Purdon - 3rd under 16 division 1

Maddison McLeod - 3rd under 14 division 3, 1st FISAF junior trio

Pyper Brown, Emma Winder - 2nd FISAF youth trio

Sophie, Kaitlyn - 2nd FISAF junior grande fitness team - greatest showman

Pyper, Brooke - 1st FISAF junior petite fitness Team HOT!

HOT! Was also selected for the NZ Aerobics team to attend the world champs in Prague in October 25.



## Swimming

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Huge congratulations to Londyn Dillinger! She has been selected to represent New Zealand and travel to Australia for the Victoria, Ballarat Tri Series in July this year. She is holding a sausage sizzle this Saturday, 28th of June, at The Warehouse to help with the cost of the trip. Awesome work Londyn! We are very proud of you and we know you will wear the silver fern with pride.



## Archery Club

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A huge congratulations to Jonathan More, our first winner at a club shoot. Jonathan clinched the win with a score of 45/50 in the third and final round.

## Cross Country

### Junior Campus

Well done to all of our runners who represented the school so well, showing great grit and determination out at Waimumu recently.

A special congratulations to our podium winners:

1st - 12 year old girls - Freya G

1st - 13 year old boys - Craig I

1st- AWD - Matai K

2nd - 12 year old boys - Sean I

2nd - 13 year old boys - Rupert V



## Marching

Hokonui u18 marching team, who in March this year won their 3rd consecutive New Zealand title, were nominated in the Team of the Year category at the 2025 ILT Murihiku Sports Awards which was held tonight.

The judges had a very tough time choosing the winner so created an additional Distinction Award and Hokonui u18 won this.

Current JHC students Samantha McIntosh, Ella King, Lily Morgan and Meah Ayto were a part of this winning team, excited to achieve this award.

Well done ladies!



# Sport and Rec

## Junior Campus

In Term 2, the Junior Campus had so much fun during their Sport and Rec programme. On Fridays, students would head to a range of venues around Invercargill and in school, participating in a wide selection of activities including baking, Mountain biking, Jump n Fun, Archery, Evolve Fitness and Walking groups.

Next term we'll be back at it with a couple of new opportunities, Year 7 and 8 parents keep an eye out for all the info coming home this week with how to sign up.



## Hockey

We're incredibly proud to announce our Southland U18 Mens and U18 Womens teams for 2025!

National Under 18 Tournaments:

- 29th June – 5th July, 2025
- U18 Men – Competing in Timaru
- U18 Women – Competing in North Harbour

This is a fantastic achievement and an exciting opportunity to represent Southland on the national stage.

Congratulations to all of the Hargest players named in these teams - it's awesome to see so many of you! All the best for your rep season.



Baxter Charlton



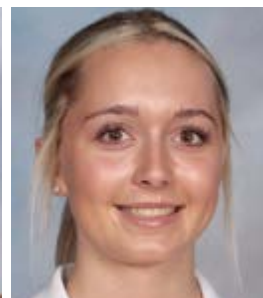
Caleb Devery



Hannah Dick



Emily Kean



Madeleine Lawlor



Cameron Knight



Charlotte Morris



Ben O'Connor



Tylah Templer

## Indoor Bowls For Teens

Teenagers are invited to play bowls

At the Southland Indoor Bowls Hall

50 Onslow Street Invercargill.

School Holiday Thursdays 3rd and/or 10th July,

1.15 - 3.15

Text entries to 0211 350 626 by Wednesday prior so we can organise a draw.

Will be played as pairs or triples

(Depending on numbers). Afternoon tea provided.

Individual entries welcome. No charges.

Coaching available.

Parents welcome to watch or play.

Organised by Invercargill Sub-Centre  
Bowls Committee

Enquiries to Rodger 0211 350 626  
or email [jollyrodger@outlook.co.nz](mailto:jollyrodger@outlook.co.nz)

## STUDENT ACCOUNTS

These are issued once a term by email, around the 20th of each month.

We welcome Internet Banking payments -

**please use your student's name and 5 digit ID number as a reference**

**Account Number:**

**02 0924 0408612 02**

Many families find it easier to make regular payments of \$20 per fortnight or \$10 per week for each child.

We also accept payments by cash, eftpos or credit card at both campuses at any time.

You can also check your child's account at any time by logging into: <https://jameshargest.school.kiwi/>

### School App

Free download from the respective app stores

Download School Apps NZ and select James Hargest College



### Junior Campus

6 Layard Street, Invercargill

Email: [juniorcampus@jameshargest.school.nz](mailto:juniorcampus@jameshargest.school.nz)

### Senior Campus

288 Layard Street, Invercargill

Email: [office@jameshargest.school.nz](mailto:office@jameshargest.school.nz)

### Website

[www.jameshargest.school.nz](http://www.jameshargest.school.nz)

### Phone

03 217 6129

## Parent, Caregiver, Whānau and Community Engagement

At James Hargest College we are always interested in engaging with our community and listening to parents, whanau and the wider community. If you have any good ideas or there is something special that has happened regarding Hargest, or there are issues, concerns or complaints we should be aware of, please contact the school office Senior Campus (2176129) or Junior Campus (2179250) or via email, [office@jameshargest.school.nz](mailto:office@jameshargest.school.nz). You will be put in contact with an appropriate staff member

## Information Updates

If you have any changes to your details (e.g. address, phone numbers, medical details, emergency contacts, etc), please let the school know as soon as possible in order to keep our records up-to-date.

Please email Mrs Moreton (Senior Campus) with any changes at [office@jameshargest.school.nz](mailto:office@jameshargest.school.nz)

or phone 2176129

or Mrs Cribb (Junior Campus) at [juniorcampus@jameshargest.school.nz](mailto:juniorcampus@jameshargest.school.nz)

or phone 2179250

## E-mail Newsletters

The next newsletter will be issued via email on Friday 1 August 2025.

Hard copies of the newsletter will be available from either the Junior or Senior Campus office.

You can view the newsletter on the Hargest web site [www.jameshargest.school.nz](http://www.jameshargest.school.nz)



## Coming Events for 2025

### Senior Campus

#### July

Mon	14	Term 3 starts
Sun	20	Open Day
Tue	22	Tours of the school start
Wed	23	Japanese Speech Contest, Dunedin
Thu	24	Chess Tournament, Hall
Fri	25	Career Fest, Year 11 - Period 3
		Kumagaya City Hall group arrives
Mon	28	Kumagaya/International Trip to Queenstown
Tue	29	Level 3 Geography trip to Curio Bay
Wed	30	Kumagaya trip to Stadium

#### August

Fri	1	Kumagaya Mayoral reception
Mon	4	Kumagaya City Hall depart
Tue	5	Kumagaya Nishi arrive
		Taieri College Interschool (away)
Wed	6	Loves Me Not - Year 12
		Parent Teacher Interviews - School finishes 1:15
Thu	7	BOT meeting in the Brig - Senior Campus, 5:15pm
Tue	12	Kumagaya Nishi depart
Tue-Thu	12-14	Young Enterprise Business Challenge
Wed	13	Year 13 Dress up Day
		Shadow Tech - Dunedin
Thu-Sun	14--17	Cadenza - Timaru
Mon-Tue	18-19	Polyfest
Thu	21	PTA meeting in the Brig - Senior Campus, 7:30pm
Fri	22	SMAC Maths
Mon	25	Winter Tournament week starts

### Junior Campus

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Tue	15	School enrolments open for 2026
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		Tours of the school start
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Fri	25	Mihi Whakatau for Kumagaya Group
		Kumagaya City Hall group arrives
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Wed	30	Kumagaya trip to Stadium

#### August

Fri	1	Kumagaya Mayoral reception
Sun	3	Sayonara Party in the Hall
Mon	4	Kumagaya City Hall depart
Tue	5	Kumagaya Nishi arrive
Wed	6	Interviews 1.30-8.00pm, Junior Campus closes at 12:50pm
Tue	12	Kumagaya Nishi depart
Thu-Sun	14--17	Cadenza - Timaru
Mon-Tue	18-19	Polyfest
Wed	20	Teacher Only Day
Thu	21	PTA meeting in the Brig - Senior Campus, 7:30pm
Fri	22	SMAC Maths
Wed-Thu	27-28	Production

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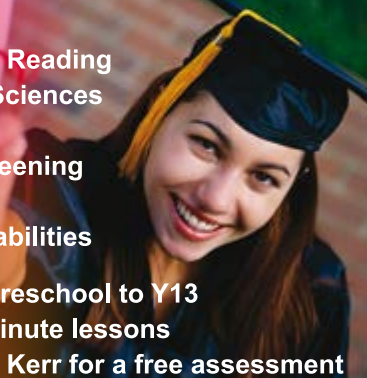
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